

Macomb Community Action Advisory Board
Executive Committee Meeting
February 10, 2009

The Macomb Community Action Advisory Board Executive Committee met on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 in the VerKuielen Building, MI Works! Conference Room-Suite 11, 21885 Dunham Rd., Clinton Township, MI.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary George, Chair
Jessica Cheshire
John Bierbusse
Eudora McKinney

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Norman Bordo
Denise Amenta
Commissioner Torrice

GUEST:

Michael Bruci

STAFF PRESENT:

Frank Taylor
Holly Ehrke

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair George at 11:58 a.m.

2. Determination of a Quorum

It was determined that a quorum was established with 4 members present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Ms. George stated there was an additional item to add to the agenda. Under Agenda Item number 11 Other Business -The MPSC/Home Energy Deliverable Fuel Assistance Program.

Eudora McKinney, supported by Jessica Cheshire, made a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of the MPSC/Home Energy Deliverable Fuel Assistance Program under agenda item number 11 - Other Business. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment

Chair George stated that this committee operates under the Open Meetings Act and asked if anyone was present who wished to address the Committee. There being no one present requesting this privilege, Chair George proceeded with the meeting.

5. Approval of January 13, 2009 Minutes

John Bierbusse, supported by Jessica Cheshire, made a motion to approve the January 13, 2008 minutes. Motion carried.

6. Recommendation to Receive and File Audit Report on Work First Contract

Mr. Taylor submitted the Audit Report on Work First Contract. He stated that the monitoring of the Work First Contract by Stewart, Beauvais and Whipple reported no issues or findings.

Eudora McKinney, supported by Jessica Cheshire, made a motion to receive and file the Audit Report on Work First Contract. Motion carried.

7. MCAAB Update

Mr. Taylor introduced Michael Bruci. He stated that Mr. Bruci is a Head Start parent. Mr. Bruci will be presented as a new Board member to replace Janet Lowe at the Full Board Meeting in March for final approval. Mr. Bruci will serve on the Consumer Sector of the MCAAB Board.

Mr. Bruci stated he is interested in how the Head Start Policy Council and the MCAAB Board operate and that is why he applied for these Committees. He stated his daughter attends the Head Start Program.

Mr. Taylor presented the 2009:

- MCAAB Committee assignments
- MCAAB Membership List (Roster)
- MCAAB, Head Start, Board of Commissioners and the Macomb Homeless Coalition General Membership meetings schedule for 2009.

8. Recommend MCAAB By-Laws with Revisions to Full Board

Mr. Taylor presented the MCAAB By-Laws modifications. He stated they will be presented to the Full Board at the March meeting for approval.

- (Page 3 of 10) Determine rules and procedures for the Parents Policy Council in accordance with the federal Head Start regulations, as well as, federal and state statutes and approve the Parents Policy Council By-Laws.
- (Page 7 of 10 section 7.1 Election of Officers) All voting shall be conducted in an open voting process in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

9. Update on American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Mr. Taylor presented the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. He stated:

- The House of Representatives passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009.
- The Senate is expected to vote today.
- The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will increase funding for:
 - The Weatherization Program
 - The Head Start Program
 - The Community Services Block Grant
 - The Senior Nutrition Program
 - Emergency Food Program
 - The Homeless Program

Mr. Taylor reported the funding will be available for 2 years with the possibility of an extension of up to 1 more year.

10. Emerging Issues

There were no Emerging Issues.

11. Other Business

Mr. Taylor presented the MPSC Home Energy Deliverable Fuel Assistance Program. He stated:

- Funding Amount - \$18,863 with no County match required.
- Period of Performance – February 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009.
- Funding Utilization – Allowable services are limited to non-metered heating fuel such as: propane, fuel oil, coal, wood, kerosene, and heating fuel pellets.

Eudora McKinney, supported by John Bierbusse, made a motion to receive the MPSC Home Energy Deliverable Fuel Assistance Funding. Motion carried.

12. Schedule Next Meeting – Full Board March 10, 2009 (Health Department Auditorium)

13. Adjournment

John Bierbusse, supported by Jessica Cheshire, made a motion to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Holly Ehrke